

The Parish of Boxmoor

St John's Boxmoor, St Stephen's Chaulden & St Francis' Hammerfield

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NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 30 JULY EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am BCP Holy Communion - last 8.00am until September St John's

9.15am Burial of Ashes – Joyce Prestedge

10.00amParish EucharistSt John's10.00amSung MassSt Francis'11.30amHoly CommunionSt Stephen's

Monday 12.30pm Together on Monday – *lunch at Little Hay Golf Club*

Wednesday 10.00am Holy Communion followed by coffee St John's

Thursday 10.00am Funeral - Mary Waryszniuk St John's

SUNDAY 06 AUGUST THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD (NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY)

8.00am No Service in August St John's
10.00am Parish Eucharist St John's
10.00am Sung Mass St Francis'
11.30am Morning Worship St Stephen's

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:

the peoples of Ukraine: those defending their land; those made refugees; those in positions of leadership;

those who are ill: Lynsey Abbott, Delia Aylott, Andrew, Sally-Anne Bates, Becky, Brenda, Catherine, Eve Davis, Peter Davis Jean Dawkins, Michele Finch, Annetta Gray, Dave Harvey, Christine Hutton – Jarvis, Angie Jackson, Janice, Kevin, Paul Kessell-Holland, Alan Kirtley, Anne Lyne, Paul McCormick, Elizabeth McDonald, Sue McMorran, Pamela, John Poole, Jane Rombout, Stanley Rose;

those with ongoing needs: Anthony, John Bery, Richard Berry, Peter Clayton, Val Darvill, Peter Davis, Gill Dow, Pam French, Josie Gower, Andrew Gunning, Margaret Gunning, Sharon & family, Jean Harries, Pam Hart, Anne Hosier, Elizabeth Jones, Sheila Lewis, Samuel & James Lockyer, Rev'd Rex Merry, Ruth Merry, Gladys Mimer, Steve Randall, Marion Roff, Beryl Taylor, Jayne Taylor, Jim Taylor, Christine Wilson, John Wilson, Mike Winch;

If you wish to be remembered at Morning and Evening Prayer only, please contact the Vicar.

Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead:

St George's Church, Chaulden (United Reformed Church) - their leaders and congregation.

those who have died recently and we pray for their families and friends:

Derek Frost Funeral: Thursday 10 August, 11.00am Pembury Parish Church (near Tunbridge Wells)

Dorothy Freeman Funeral: Wednesday 23 August, 1.00pm, St John's

Derek Rhoden, Tony Dunn, June Baxter, Pauline Burke, Maura Harvey;

those whose Years mind is this week: 30 July-05 August:

David Mitchell (1.8.18), Corinne Bowgen (3.8.22), Patricia Parsons (3.8.20), Pamela Stocker (30.7.20).

PARISH NOTICES

<u>LIVE STREAMING – THIS WEEK:</u> The Parish Eucharist at 10.00am will be live streamed this week. This can be joined at: <u>www.stjohnsboxmoor.org.uk/live-streamed-services</u> - we apologise in advance if our internet connection fails! A recording will be uploaded as soon as possible if this happens. Thank you for your understanding.

<u>PARISH BBQ AND AUCTION OF PROMISES AND GIFTS</u>: Thank you to all who joined us for the Parish BBQ and Auction last Sunday. Approximately £500 was raised for Church Funds – which is great. Special thanks to our auctioneer and caterers. It is so good to be getting back to some regular social activities where we can really get to know one another.

<u>ALTAR FLOWERS:</u> The Altar flowers this week are given by Jane Prew-Bridgewood In loving memory of her parents Reg and Clare Prew.

PARISH MAGAZINE: The magazine is available at the back of St John's for collection and delivery.

<u>TINY TOTS:</u> has now finished for the holidays. During the summer we will be holding a Tiny Tots BYO Picnic on Tuesday 15 August, 11.30am–1.15pm. This is open to all families children and will be held (weather permitting) in the churchyard near the Hall. A huge thank you to all our helpers and volunteers who have worked so hard to enable Tiny Tots to flourish and grow during the year.

TOGETHER ON MONDAY: Monday 31 July 12.30pm for 1.00pm – Lunch at Little Hay Golf Club.

REMINDER: During August there will be no Sunday 8.00am Services of Holy Communion. All other Sunday services will continue as usual. Morning Prayer will also be said privately by the Vicar – either whilst on leave or when in the parish.

<u>CONDOLENCES:</u> We send our love and prayers to Dorothy Freeman's family and friends upon her passing last weekend. Dorothy was a much loved member of our community. Her funeral will take place at St John's on Wednesday 23 August at 1.00pm.

<u>COFFEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!</u> Join our friendly team of volunteers to help serving coffee after the 10am Sunday services. Please can you add your name and surname on the list available on the notice at the back of church or contact Yolanda Porter via email <u>yolandaporter.yp@googlemail.com</u>, thank you.

<u>HARDSHIP FUND:</u> The church has a hardship fund. Should anyone be struggling with fuel bills the parish may be able to help. Please speak to the vicar.

ECO NOTICE BOARD:

- No plastic July please take a look at the things we can do to help reduce our use of single use plastic.
- We welcome St Francis church joining St John's church in using the Miniml eco hand-wash refill, reuse system - thus reducing the need to keep buying single use plastic bottles and also helping to achieve a Bronze award in the eco church challenge.

Thank you - The Eco Team.

<u>BBC "SONGS OF PRAISE" 23RD JULY 2023 – PAM RHODES REMEMBERS HER FAITH JOURNEY:</u> In case you missed the broadcast of last week's episode, Ruth Merry was being interviewed by Pam Rhodes - she also gave St John's, Boxmoor a name check! It's well worth watching it on catch up TV if you can!

Weblink: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m001p2zq

COVID GUIDANCE:

- Receiving communion in both kinds is not compulsory (as our recent practice has shown). If you would like to
 receive the chalice the offer is there. If you would prefer not to receive from the common cup then simply
 receive the host and walk back to your places. It is an entirely personal decision.
- Intincting/dipping your wafer into the wine is not permitted.

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The office hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays 10.30am–1.30pm.